

## **American Public University, Charles Town - Dual Master's Degree in Emergency and Disaster Management and Homeland Security**

This dual degree in Emergency and Disaster Management & Homeland Security is comprised of two separate master's programs offered at this university. Taking these online graduate programs in tandem in a dual degree gives you the core courses of both programs along with a selection of electives culminating in an end-of-program assessment.

This online dual master's degree offers a natural symbiosis between these two fields: emergency management professionals who save lives by responding to disasters such as floods, fires, earthquakes, etc., and homeland security personnel who provide a secure and collaborative information sharing environment for communication during critical incidents. This dual master's degree program will help to expand your career options by allowing you to gain competency in these two fields simultaneously.

This program is taught by highly credentialed and experienced instructors, many who are board-certified emergency managers (CEM) or who hold key positions in government agencies or national safety and security organizations.

Some topics of study in this dual degree program include:

- Crisis action planning, including impacts of global warming
- Relationships among local, state, and federal agencies during operations
- Concepts of emergency management, including mitigation, hazard analysis, and terrorism
- The history and evolution of the Department of Homeland Security
- Homeland security functions, methodologies, and techniques

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Additional Information: <http://www.apus.edu/>

<https://catalog.apus.edu/graduate/academic-programs/masters/dual-master-arts-emergency-disaster-management-homeland-security/>

### **Core Requirements**

- EDMG502: Emergency and Disaster Theory - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG503: Emergency and Disaster Planning and Management - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG509: Interagency Disaster Management - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG530: Economics of Disaster - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG541: Mass Casualty Incident Management - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG560: Crisis Action Planning - 3 hour(s)
- EDMG611: Case Analysis: Crisis and Disaster - 3 hour(s)
- HLSS502: Homeland Security and Defense - 3 hour(s)
- HLSS505: Security Risk Management - 3 hour(s)
- HLSS522: Weapons of Mass Destruction and the New Terrorism - 3 hour(s)
- HLSS523: Domestic Terrorism and Extremist Groups - 3 hour(s)
- HLSS603: Resilience and Homeland Security - 3 hour(s)
- INTL613: Intelligence and Homeland Security - 3 hour(s)
- PADM530: Public Policy - 3 hour(s)
- SSGS500: Research Design and Methods - 3 hour(s)

**Major Requirements**

HLSS645: Port Security - 3 hour(s)

SCMT544: Security Architecture - 3 hour(s)

SCMT545: Airport Security Design - 3 hour(s)

TLMT600: National Transportation Management - 3 hour(s)

TLMT605: Cargo Security Management - 3 hour(s)

**Graduate Electives****Program Completion**

EMHS699: Emergency and Disaster Management and Homeland Security Capstone - 3 hour(s)

SSGS696: Master's Project Capstone Seminar - 3 hour(s)

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Specialty Accreditation - International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC).

### **Core Capabilities**

Community Resilience  
Critical Transportation  
Fatality Management Services  
Infrastructure Systems  
Intelligence and Information Sharing  
Logistics and Supply Chain Management  
Long-term Vulnerability Reduction  
Natural and Cultural Resources  
Operational Communications  
Operational Coordination  
Physical Protective Measures  
Planning  
Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services  
Public Information and Warning  
Risk and Disaster Resilience Assessment  
Risk Management for Protection Programs and Activities  
Situational Assessment  
Threats and Hazards Identification

### **Core Competencies**

Abide by Professional Ethics  
Community Engagement  
Disaster Risk Management  
Geographic Literacy  
Leadership  
Operate within the EM Framework, Principles, and Body of Knowledge  
Possess Critical Thinking  
Sociocultural Literacy  
Systems Literacy  
Technological Literacy  
Value Continual Learning

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